

The Lewisburg Water and Sewer Board held its regular monthly meeting on November 19, 2024. The meeting was held at 100 Water Street, Lewisburg, Tennessee. Board members present were Board Chairman Bill Marsh, Secretary Joe Harris, and Board member Linda Thomas. Also present, were General Manager Trigg Cathey, Assistant Manager Robert Biggers, Supervisors Roscoe Brannon, Terry Smith, Pete Griffin, Caryl Giles, Pat McCanless, Tommy Wallace, Administrative Assistant Lisa Parsons, and Billing Clerk Lucy Demastus. Council members David Perka and Tommy Burns were also in attendance. Visitors present were Gail Miller (MCBPU), Donnie Groves and Danny Bingham (City of Chapel Hill).

Chairman Bill Marsh called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

- Item 1.** The motion was made by Joe Harris to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2024 meeting. Linda Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed. Voice vote - 3 ayes.

- Item 2.** October Bills and Financial Statement – Administrative Assistant Lisa Parsons reported on the October 2024 bills and financial statement. Joe Harris made the motion to approve the October bills and financial statement. The motion was seconded by Linda Thomas. Motion passed. Voice vote - 3 ayes.

- Item 3.** Water – Sewer Request – There were 26 residential water tap requests and 11 requests for residential sewer in the month of October.

- Item 4.** Water Plant- Reports and Memos – The water plant operated at an average of 20.4 hours per day. The plant monthly capacity was 86.9%. The three-month water loss average was 25.5 % for the month of October.

- Item 5.** Wastewater Plant - Reports and Memos – Employees processed 294,165 gallons of sludge into biosolids and hauled 27,600 gallons of sludge from the Cornersville WWTP to be converted into biosolids.

Employees loaded and or hauled 126 tons of biosolids to various farms.

Flow Totals:

Employees treated and discharged 42.3 MG of wastewater at the Lewisburg Plant.
Employees treated and discharged 2.1 MG of wastewater at the Cornersville Plant.

Trips/Classes

Caryl and Cathy attended Fleming Training Center OAD and received CE credit.

Pretreatment

Allison Transmission and West Rock were inspected

Tours/ Visits/Inspections

TDEC performed a Pretreatment program inspection.

6a. Project Update

1. A new project to fix the broken clay pipe sewer line that runs behind Brookside Drive is in the works. The project consists of replacing 7 manholes and doing pipe bursting of the line between the manholes approximately 1700 ft. We expect the price to be approximately 250,000 dollars to 300,000 dollars. This job will not qualify for a CDBG grant due to the area not being economically depressed. Our board has approved money for this and this project has been bid on my two contractors. LTS Construction won the bid, and they have material and equipment on-site ready to begin construction.
 2. We are going to start another in-house project in Cornersville next month. We will replace a 4-inch sewer line on Valley View Road with a new 6-inch PVC line. This Line is about 980 feet long and will require 2 manholes. This will improve the sewer flow through downtown Cornersville. This project will be started in the next two months as the weather permits.
- 6b. Resolution – increase water rates for wholesale customers and adjust ratepayers’ minimum bills – Joe Harris made a motion to adopt resolution to present the rate increase and adjustment for approval. The motion was seconded by Linda Thomas. Motion passed. Vote voice - 3 ayes.
- 6c. Resolution – to run water treatment PILOT studies – The motion was made by Joe Harris to adopt the resolution to run the pilot trials. These trails will be run to test the best filtration method for the new water treatment plant. The price for the two trials is not to exceed \$60,000.00. The motion was seconded by Linda Thomas. Motion passed. Voice vote – 3 ayes.
- 6d. Approval of Water and Sewer Service Tap Charges Policy #1 – Joe Harris made a motion to approve changes to water and sewer tap charges Policy #1. Linda Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed Voice vote – 3 ayes.
- *6e. Approval of Assess Management Plan Contract with Wauford Engineering - \$82,000 – Joe Harris made a motion to approve the Assess Management Plan contract with Wauford Engineering The motion was seconded by Linda Thomas. Motion passed. Voice vote – 3 ayes.

***This item was deferred from the September 24, 2024 meeting.**

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm

Chairman Bill Marsh

Secretary Joe Harris